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ANNUAL REPORTS

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TOWN CLERK

AND

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Town Officers

OFFICERS CHOSEN MARCH ELECTION, 1917.

Town Clerk,
FRANK H. LORD.

Selectmen,
LAWRENCE E. WADLEIGH, EDWIN L. JANVRIN,
MILLARD E. DALTON.

Treasurer,
WILLIAM H. MCDEVITT.

Collector of Taxes,
CHARLES W. GREENE (appointed).

School Board,
FOREST F. BROWN, MRS. ELVIN J. PRESCOTT,
J. HERBERT PAGE.

ELECTED NOVEMBER, 1916.

Supervisors.

JOHN F. GYNAN, LAWRENCE E. WADLEIGH,
WILLIAM A. LADD

Selectmen's Report

INVENTORY—LESS EXEMPTIONS

Lands and buildings		$375,756.00
Horses, 131		17,985.00
Asses and mules, 5		850.00
Oxen, 6		650.00
Cows, 335		14,869.00
Other neat stock, 68		2,721.00
Sheep, 44		220.00
Hogs, 2		50.00
Fowls, 4311		3,849.00
Vehicles and automobiles		24,925.00
Portable mills, 8		2,270.00
Wood, lumber, etc. (Laws 1911, Ch. 82)		29,900.00
Municipal bonds and notes		48,700.00
Stock in National Banks in this state		4,500.00
Money on hand, at interest, or on deposit		24,810.00
Stock in trade		8,490.00
Mills and machinery		2,750.00
Number polls, 141	$282.00	
Total		$563,295.00

Amount of taxes committed to Collector, including poll taxes $7,604.84

Average rate per cent. of taxation for all purposes
$1.30 per $100

Amount exempted to soldiers $1,000.00

LAWRENCE E. WADLEIGH,
EDWIN L. JANVRIN,
MILLARD E. DALTON,

Selectmen of Hampton Falls.

Treasurer's Report

For Year Ending January 31, 1918

Dr.

To balance, Feb. 15, 1917	$492.99
of taxes, 1916	397.63
tax collected, 1917	7,462.14
cash on note, Walter B. Farmer	1,000.00
State, insurance tax	108.75
railroad tax	162.89
savings bank tax	323.09
literary fund	54.00
school fund	150.00
Sale of clam flats	55.00
County	75.00
Dog tax	113.40
Old windows, Town Hall	10.00
Boston & Maine Railroad, refund on freight	1.55
Sale of creosote	3.68
Cash on note, Walter B. Farmer	500.00
Interest on taxes	3.80
	$10,913.92

Cr.

By salaries and expenses of Town Officers	$417.19
Books and printing	112.80
Health department	33.47
Cemeteries	16.75
Common	10.00
Moth department	6.86
Memorial Day	15.05
Town Hall	122.79

By Clam flats committee	$8.00
Care of town clock	20.00
Care of hearse and house	19.62
Library	65.00
Town poor	257.25
County poor	75.00
Trunk Line construction	714.47
maintenance	243.25
Town maintenance	892.92
Permanent improvement	116.77
Snow paths	96.17
State tax	986.00
County tax	1,028.80
School district	2,542.10
Town history	800.00
Note paid to Walter B. Farmer	1,000.00
Electric lights in Town Hall	197.27
Damage by dogs	9.00
Abatements	141.13
Cash in treasury Jan. 31	966.26
	$10,913.92

Treasurer's Account in Detail

SALARIES AND EXPENSES OF TOWN OFFICERS

Paid Lawrence E. Wadleigh, selectman	$96.95
Edwin L. Janvrin, selectman	47.25
Millard E. Dalton, selectman	38.75
William H. McDevitt, treasurer	30.00
Frank H. Lord, town clerk	34.03
George A. Janvrin, janitor	29.32
Charles W. Greene, tax collector	50.00

Paid Sadie E. Janvrin, librarian	$30.99	
Frank H. Fogg, ballot inspector	2.00	
Frank S. Greene, ballot inspector	2.00	
William A. Janvrin, ballot inspector	2.00	
J. Edward Brown, ballot inspector	2.00	
George J. Curtis, auditor	1.00	
John N. Sanborn, auditor	1.00	
Bonds for town officers	24.50	
Books, stationery and postage	25.40	
		$417.19

BOOKS AND PRINTING

John Templeton, printing town reports and inventories	$90.50	
E. C. Eastman, town books	21.05	
John Templeton, printing posters	1.25	
		$112.80

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Paid John N. Sanborn, health officer	$10.00	
fumigating at Sam Seward's	2.00	
fumigating at Herbert Currier's	2.00	
George F. Merrill, groceries for Sam Seward	19.47	
		$33.47

CEMETERIES

Paid Edwin L. Janvrin, mowing bushes	$11.75	
L. E. Wadleigh, mowing bushes	5.00	
		$16.75

COMMON

Paid Edwin L. Janvrin, removing trees		$10.00

MOTH DEPARTMENT

Paid Samuel Cabot Co., creosote		$6.86

MEMORIAL DAY

Paid Lawrence E. Wadleigh, flowers and flags	$13.05	
Walter A. Ladd, decorating soldiers' graves	2.00	
		$15.05

TOWN HALL

Paid Edward Perkins Lumber Co., windows	$28.75	
John H. Hamilton, labor on windows	12.00	
James H. Brown, insurance	70.00	
Exeter & Hampton Electric Co., light bills	12.04	
		$122.79

CLAM COMMITTEE

Paid W. J. Prescott, selling rights	$2.00	
F. B. French, surveying	6.00	
		$8.00

TOWN CLOCK

Paid Charles I. Akerman, care of clock		$20.00

HEARSE AND HOUSE

Paid W. J. Prescott, care of hearse	$8.00	
shingles for house	7.87	
labor on shingles	3.75	
		$19.62

LIBRARY

Paid Ellen F. Lord, appropriation	$50.00	
Sadie E. Janvrin, aid for soldiers' library	15.00	
		$65.00

TOWN POOR

Paid Rockingham County, for board of C. Pike	$60.00	
Dover Children's Home, board and shoes for Copeland children	197.25	
		$257.25

COUNTY POOR

Paid County poor		$75.00

TRUNK LINE CONSTRUCTION

Paid William A. Grover	$250.00	
John W. Hartnett	464.47	
		$714.47

TRUNK LINE MAINTENANCE

Paid Edwin L. Janvrin	$111.61	
John W. Hartnett	131.64	
		$243.25

TOWN MAINTENANCE

Paid Forest F. Brown	$292.35	
L. E. Wadleigh	14.77	
Frank E. Gove	34.38	
Arthur C. Smith	451.42	
		$892.92

PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT

Paid Edwin L. Janvrin		$116.77

SNOW PATHS

Paid L. E. Wadleigh	$16.50	
Grant B. Sanborn	28.50	
Paul E. Batchelder	31.50	
Forrest F. Brown	4.62	
Warren Brown	14.25	
W. H. McDevitt	.80	
		$96.17

STATE TAX

Paid State tax		$986.00

COUNTY TAX

Paid County tax		$1,028.80

SCHOOL DISTRICT

Pzid John F. Gynan:		
Town appropriation	$1,650.00	
High School tuition	400.00	
Books and supplies	150.00	
Balance of dog tax	93.10	
Literary fund	54.00	
School fund	150.00	
Repairs on South school house	35.00	
Flags, etc.	10.00	
		$2,542.10

TOWN HISTORY

Paid Warren Brown, appropriation		$800.00

TOWN NOTE

Paid Walter B. Farmer, short term note	$1,000.00

ELECTRIC LIGHTS

Paid C. F. Fifield, installing electric lights	$197.27

DAMAGE BY DOGS

Paid Lillian B. Prescott, hens killed	$9.00

ABATEMENTS

Paid Charles W. Greene, discount abatements on taxes	$135.13	
Warren Brown, watering place	3.00	
Charles A. Hardy, watering place	3.00	
		$141.13

BALANCE SHEET

January 31, 1918

Assets

Cash in New Hampshire National Bank	$966.26	
Uncollected tax 1917	142.70	
Due from state on state aid	317.20	
		$1,426.16

Liabilities

Balance on Trunk Line appropriation	$785.53	
permanent improvement, 1916	419.23	
1917	529.00	
State aid, town and state	581.70	
Note to Walter B. Farmer	500.00	
		$2,815.46
Town liability		$1,389.30

WILLIAM H. McDEVITT, *Treasurer.*

HAMPTON FALLS, N. H., February 4, 1918.

We, the undersigned auditors, have this day examined the accounts of the treasurer for the year ending January 31, 1918, and find them correctly cast and well vouched, and a balance in the hands of treasurer of nine hundred and sixty-six dollars and twenty-six cents ($966.26).

ARTHUR W. BROWN,
CHARLES N. DODGE,
Auditors.

Itemized Bills

Town of Hampton Falls to L. E. Wadleigh, Dr.

For services as Selectman for year ending January 31, 1918.

To distributing inventories	$1.00
trip to Portsmouth to meet tax commissioners	1.70
three days, appraising	7.50
appointing committee	.50
three days, appraising woodland	7.50
writing and posting notices of meetings	.50
writing and posting notice to receive inventories	.50
trip to E. J. Prescott's	.50
time spent on telephone location	.75
2 trips to Exeter	3.00
making out returns to the department of agriculture, adjutant-general, state treasurer, secretary of state, tax commission, highway department, state board of charities	8.00
attending auction of clam-flat lease	1.00

To filling out and posting warrants	$1.00	
2 trips to Frank Lord's	1.00	
trip to Town Hall	.50	
locating electric light poles	.50	
trip to Exeter, for flags and flowers	1.50	
128 hours on town books	32.00	
trip to Charles W. Greene's	.50	
re-locating telephone poles	.50	
trip to south part of town	.50	
filling jury box	.50	
18 meetings at Town Hall	22.50	
attending four jury meetings	2.00	
making list of dogs to town clerk	.50	
distributing town reports	1.00	
Total		$96.95

Town of Hampton Falls to Edwin L. Janvrin, Dr.

For services as Selectman for year ending January 31, 1918.

To 3 days, appraising	$7.50	
3 days, viewing wood lots	7.50	
locating electric poles	.50	
revising jury list	.50	
3 jury meetings	1.50	
attending clam-flat auction	1.00	
writing and distributing inventories	1.50	
3 meetings at Lawrence Wadleigh's	3.75	
18 meetings at Town Hall	22.50	
distributing town reports	1.00	
		$47.25

Town of Hampton Falls to M. E. Dalton, Dr.

For services as Selectman for year ending January 31, 1918.

To 6 days, appraising	$15.00
10 meetings at hall	12.50
2 trips to L. E. Wadleigh's	2.50

To trip to Portsmouth	$1.75	
distributing inventory blanks	1.00	
trip to Frank Lord's	.50	
locating telephone poles	.75	
revising jury list	.50	
2 jury meetings	1.00	
½ day surveying road	1.50	
trip to store for auction	1.00	
envelopes and postage	.75	
		$38.75

Town of Hampton Falls to Frank H. Lord, Dr.

For services as Town Clerk from February 15, 1917, to January 31, 1918.

To recording 35 pages at 17c	$5.95	
recording 75 pages at 12c	9.00	
recording 5 marriages	.75	
recording 1 birth	.15	
recording 12 deaths	1.80	
3 jury meetings	4.50	
2 special jury meetings	2.00	
reports to insurance commissioner	1.00	
reports to state registrar	3.25	
reports to selectmen	2.00	
stationery and postage	1.13	
paid A. R. Pixley, 1 certificate	.25	
paid John W. Savage, 1 certificate	.25	
paid Alice M. Chesley, 2 certificates	.50	
paid A. M. Fernald, 6 certificates	1.50	
		$34.03

Town of Hampton Falls to F. F. Brown, Dr.

Mar. 14 to May 7, man and team, 103 hours	$56.65	
George Quimby, 4½ days	9.00	
William Davis, 2 days	4.00	
George Howard, 2 days	4.00	

May	7, Frank E. Greene, dynamite and labor	$34.38
May	7 to June 4, man and team, 23 hours.	12.65
	George Quimby, 7½ days	15.00
	George Howard, 1 day	2.00
June	4 to July 2, man and team, 13 days	65.00
	J. B. Cram and team, 5 days	25.00
	W. H. Thompson, team, 4½ days	22.50
	L. E. Wadleigh, team, 3 days	15.00
	George Quimby, 5½ days	11.00
	George Stanley, 2 days	4.00
	Joseph Laverk, 5½ days	11.00
	Joseph Bolsian, 5 days	10.00
	Jack Fox, 4½ days	9.00
	Herbert Brown, 4½ days	9.00
	William Summerfield and tractor, 2 hours	4.00
	Mrs. Temple, 73 loads gravel	10.95
	F. P. Sanborn, 85 loads gravel	12.75
	E. L. Janvrin	5.60
	to July 2, man and team, 1 day	5.00
	J. B. Cram and team, 1 day	5.00
	William Summerfield and tractor, 2 hours	4.00
Oct.	2 to 19, man and team, 1½ day	7.50
	J. Bolsian, 8 days	20.00
	H. Roberts, 1½ day	3.00
	Charles Grant, 5 hours	1.25
	William Summerfield, with tractor, 3 hours	6.00
	L. E. Wadleigh	2.00
July	31 to Aug. 30, man and team, 2½ days	12.50
	G. Quimby, 4 days	8.00
Sept.	1, Paid B. T. Janvrin, lumber for bridge	10.37
	Paid L. E. Wadleigh, labor on bridge	4.40
		$441.50

Town of Hampton Falls to Arthur C. Smith, Dr.

Mar.	14	to May 7, Arthur C. Smith, labor	$13.89
		Arthur C. Smith, team	24.08
		George C. Smith, labor	3.90
		George C. Smith, team	22.20
		F. R. Pevear, team	14.40
		labor on road and gravel pit	50.76
		G. F. Merrill, spikes	.65
		dynamite	1.24
		124 loads gravel	14.70
		19 posts	6.95
May	7	to June 4, George C. Smith, team	11.20
		D. F. Batchelder, team	10.18
		F. R. Pevear, team	11.20
		Arthur C. Smith, labor	2.50
		labor on road and pit	5.75
		48 loads gravel	7.20
June	4	to July 7, George C. Smith, team	19.60
		L. E. Wadleigh, team	5.60
		Arthur C. Smith, labor	8.75
		Theodore Smith, labor	1.75
		labor on road and pit	6.75
		37 loads gravel	3.70
July	7	to Sept. 1, A. C. Smith, labor	12.85
		George Creighton, team and man	6.10
		George C. Smith, team	20.58
		L. E. Wadleigh, team	11.20
		C. H. Crosby, team and man	19.63
		labor on road and pit	9.00
		47 loads gravel	6.85
		freight on culverts	1.55
Sept.	3,	United Cons. Co., metal culverts	44.45
Oct.	1	to Nov. 1, George C. Smith, team	12.15
		F. Pevear, team	11.20
		C. J. Edgerly, team	8.00
		Arthur C. Smith, labor	6.38
		labor on road and pit	16.75

Oct. 1 to Nov. 1, 55 loads gravel	$8.25	
Nov. 1 to Dec. 1, Arthur C. Smith, raking rocks	4.00	
A. H. Brown, stock and labor	5.53	
		$451.42

Town of Hampton Falls to Warren Brown, Dr.

Snow Bill, February, 1917

Feb. 15, 1 man, 4 horses, ½ day	$3.75	
Mar. 10, 1 man, 4 horses, ½ day	3.75	
16, 1 man, 4 horses, 4 hours	3.00	
24, 2 men, 4 horses, 4 hours	3.75	
		$14.25

Town of Hampton Falls to L. E. Wadleigh, Dr.

Snow Bill for March, 1917

To J. H. Brown, 7 hours	$1.40	
J. F. Robie, 6½ hours	1.30	
J. E. Brown, 6½ hours	1.30	
L. E. Wadleigh, 3 hours	.60	
L. E. Wadleigh and team, 2½ hours	2.00	
C. F. Coombs, as per bill	9.90	
		$16.50

Town of Hampton Falls to F. F. Brown, Dr.

Snow Bill for March, 1917

To team and man, 6 hours	$3.30	
A. Hartford, 6 hours	1.32	
		$4.62

Town of Hampton Falls to Paul E. Batchelder, Dr.

Snow Bill, March, 1917

To Paul E. Batchelder and team	$9.00
David F. Batchelder and team	8.00

To Frank Creighton	$4.00
Roy Elkins	3.50
Louis Janvrin	2.00
B. T. Janvrin, team	5.00
	$31.50

Town of Hampton Falls to Edwin L. Janvrin, Dr.

Trunk Line Maintenance

Mar. 31,	team dragging road, 1 day	$5.60
Apr. 5,	team dragging road, ½ day	2.80
	raking rocks, 1 day	2.25
Apr. 7	to June 18, team on road, 4 days	22.40
	man on road, 1 day	2.25
July,	team on road, 6 days	36.00
	man on road, 4 days	8.00
Aug.	team on road, 4 days	24.00
Sept. 22	to 28, man, labor on road	4.08
29,	man, labor on road	1.83
	gravel	2.40
		$111.61

Town of Hampton Falls to Edwin L. Janvrin, Dr.

Permanent Improvement

Sept. 13,	L. E. Wadleigh and team, 4 days	$22.40
15,	E. L. Janvrin, team, 5 days	28.00
	Joseph Bragg, 5 days	11.25
	Will Bragg, 4 days	9.00
	Fred Pevear, 4 days	9.00
	Charles Sanborn, 3 days	6.75
19,	E. L. Janvrin, team, 7 hours	4.37
	Joseph Bragg	1.75
29,	Joseph Bragg, raking rocks, 8 hours	2.25
	E. L. Janvrin, team	1.25
	C. N. Dodge for gravel	20.75
		$116.77

Janitor Town Hall Accounts

Hampton Falls, January 27, 1918

Cr.

1917.			
Feb.		G. A. Janvrin, 3 cords pine wood	$12.00
	26,	repairing piano	1.70
Mar.	10,	sawdusting hall	1.00
	12,	caucus	.50
	28,	farmers' meeting	.50
May	11,	milk meeting	.50
		Woman's Club, 3 times	1.50
	22,	Woman's club	.50
		opening 6 times for canning demonstrations	1.50
		opening 10 times for Club	2.75
Aug.	3,	tuning piano	2.50
Nov.	13,	G. A. Janvrin, 2 cords hardwood	18.00
Dec.	5,	Exeter & Hampton Electric Light Co., light bulbs	.27
1918.			
Jan.	11,	B. T. Janvrin, window sash	.80
	16,	Red Cross entertainment and 6 rehearsals	1.00
		opening 11 times for Y. M. C. A.	2.75
Jan.	22,	George F. Merrill's bill	4.05
		opening 13 times for entertainments	9.50
		opening 23 times for Grange	14.50
			$75.82

Dr.

1917.			
Feb.	3,	dancing school	$1.00
	19,	Amesbury party	3.00
	21,	Citizens Club	1.50
Mar.	17,	dancing party	1.50

Mar.	20, dancing school	$1.00	
	27, dancing school	1.00	
	31, dancing party	1.50	
Apr.	16, Grange	2.00	
	27, dance	1.50	
Aug.	10, Red Cross entertainment	2.00	
	31, Batchelder reunion	1.00	
Sept.	27, Grange	2.00	
1918.			
Jan.	17, From Grange	23.00	
	19, Amesbury party	4.00	
			$46.50
	Due Janitor		$29.32

Library Report

REPORT OF LIBRARY TREASURER

Dr.

1917		
To cash on hand	$3.23	
town appropriation	50.00	
		$53.23

Cr.

1918		
Paid W. B. Clark Co.	$44.76	
J. H. Brown, carfare	2.10	
Army library fund	5.00	
Cash on hand Jan. 31, 1918	1.37	
		$53.23

HAMPTON FALLS, N. H., February 4, 1918.

We, the undersigned auditors, have this day examined the accounts of the library treasurer and find them well vouched and correctly cast and a balance on hand of one dollar and thirty-seven cents ($1.37).

ARTHUR W. BROWN,
CHARLES N. DODGE,
Auditors.

Librarian's Report

HAMPTON FALLS, January 25, 1918.

Dr.

1917		
Feb. 17,	cash on hand	$0.85
May 5,	fine	.14
	card	.02
July 7,	fine	.28
21,	fine	.14
Aug. 4,	card	.06
12,	fine	.25
Nov. 11,	fine	.14
Dec. 23,	fine	.28
	Mrs. E. F. Lord, library treasurer, for soldiers' library	5.00
		$7.16

Cr.

1917		
Sept. 22, ledger	$1.75	
photo paste	.60	
Nov. 12, for soldiers' library	5.00	
		$7.35
Due librarian		$0.19
S. E. Janvrin, for services as librarian 154 hours at 20 cents per hour		$30.80
Due librarian		$30.99

SADIE E. JANVRIN, *Librarian.*

BOOKS ADDED TO THE HAMPTON FALLS TOWN LIBRARY

1883	Anonymous	The Pastor's Wife
1884	Barkley, F. S.	The White Ladies of Worcester
1885	Chambers, Robert W.	The Dark Star
1886	Churchill, Winston	The Dwelling Place of Light
1887	Curtin, Thomas D.	The Land of Deepening Shadow
1888	Day, Holman	Where Your Treasure Is
1889	Dell, Ethel M.	The Hundredth Chance
1890	Dell, Ethel M.	The Rocks of Valpre
1891	Empey, Arthur Guy	Over the Top
1892	Farnol, Jeffrey	The Definite Object
1893	French, Allen	The Golden Eagle
1894	Gerard, James W.	My Four Years in Germany
1895	Geil, W. E.	Adventures in the African Jungle
1896	Grey, Zane	Betty Zane
1897	Haggard, H. Rider	Finished
1898	Harben, Will N.	The Triumph

1899 Hardy, Thomas..... The Return of the Native
1900 Hough, Emerson..... 54–40 Or Fight
1901 Huard, Frances W..My Home in the Field of Honour
1902 Hay, Ian (The Junior Sub)..... The First Hundred Thousand
1903 Johnston, Mary..... The Wanderers
1904 Lincoln, Joseph C..... Extricating Obadiah
1905 Locke, William J..... The Red Planet
1906 London, Jack..... Jerry
1907 Parker, Capt. Thomas, U. S. N..... The Cruise of the Deep Sea Scouts
1908 Rhoades, Nina..... The Little Girl Next Door
1909 Rice, Alice Hegan..... Calvary Allie
1910 Rinehart, Mary R..... Long Live the King
1911 Rives, Hallie E..... The Long Lane's Turning
1912 Seton, Ernest Thompson..... The Arctic Prairies
1913 Seton, Ernest Thompson..... The Preacher of Cedar Mountain
1914 Spearman, Frank..... Whispering Smith
1915 Tracy, Louis....The Day of Wrath, A Story of 1914
1916 Tracy, Louis..... The Postmaster's Daughter
1917 Brady, Cyrus T..... By the World Forgot
1918 Connor, Ralph..... The Major
1919 Doyle, A. Conan..... His Last Bow
PRESENTED BY MRS. WILLIAM A. CRAM
1930 Holtzclaw, W. H..... The Black Man's Burden
PRESENTED BY THE WOMAN'S CLUB
1931 Allen, W. H..... Woman's Part in the Government

School Department

SCHOOL BOARD

Forest F. Brown, Chairman . . . . . Term expires 1918
Mrs. E. J. Prescott, Clerk . . . . . " " 1919
J. Herbert Page . . . . . " " 1920

John F. Gynan . . . . . Treasurer

Maro S. Brooks . . . . . Superintendent of Schools
Residence, 14 Elm St., Exeter; office, Town Hall, Exeter; telephone, 549-W.

Office Hours (Except during vacations)

Monday, 4.30 to 5.30 p. m.
Tuesday, 9.00 to 10.00 a. m.
Thursday, 4.30 to 5.30 p .m.

Consultation hours in Hampton Falls by appointment.

TEACHERS

North School—Gladys E. Murray
East School—Edna M. Kimball
South School—Myra Jewell

REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD

To the Citizens of Hampton Falls:

At the North School, the spring term was taught by Miss Clark; the fall and winter terms, by Miss Murray. At the South School, the spring term by Miss Brown, the fall and winter terms by Miss Jewell. The East School spring term, by Miss Stevens; the fall and winter, by Miss Kimball.

Mr. Brooks, our superintendent, has visited our schools regularly and reported to us of their conditions. Owing to the

increased cost of books, supplies, fuel and tuitions, we have spent more money than was raised for school purposes. Owing to the high wages and the great attractions of city life our superintendent has experienced all kinds of trouble in securing experienced teachers for our schools. The average city girl in coming to the country to teach puts in the first half of the term in homesickness, and the remainder in the thought that she can return to her home with the satisfaction that she has got the experience necessary to secure a position in the city schools. No wonder that our country children find they are up against it when they come in competition with village and city children who have had the advantages of experienced teachers. But we hope that in the future, with the back to the land idea and the city people realizing that they are indebted to the farmers for their bread and butter, that our superintendent will be able to secure experienced teachers, who will stay with us. And thereby we shall receive nearer the full value from our money spent for school purposes.

F. F. BROWN, *Chairman, for School Board.*

RECOMMENDATIONS

The School Board recommends that the following sums of money be raised and appropriated the ensuing year:

Tuition, statutory	$1,100.00
Teachers' salaries	1,440.00
Books and supplies	175.00
Transportation	400.00
Janitors	50.00
Superintendent's salary	150.00
Officers' salaries	50.00
Flags	$15.00
Fuel	150.00
Deficit	300.00
	$3,830.00

Required by law	$870.00	
Income from dog tax, literary fund, etc. (approximate)	300.00	

STATISTICAL TABLE—REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING JULY 15, 1917

Schools	Teachers	Total No. Enrolled	Boys	Girls	Average Attendance	Average Membership	Per cent. of Attendance	Cases of Tardiness	Not absent or tardy	Visits by School Board	Visits by Superintendent	Other visits	No. of weeks	Monthly Wages
North.....	Miss Clark.....	19	8	11	13.33	15.18	87.81	16	0	0	28	43	35.2	$48.
East.....	Miss DeGross..... Miss Kimball... ..... Miss Stevens.....	36	19	17	28.73	30.28	94.88	40	0	2	30	55	36	56. 56. 48.
South.....	Miss Brown.....	13	8	5	9·09	10.14	89.64	4	1	2	28	29	36	32.
Averages.....							90.77						35.73	44.44
Totals.....		68	35	33	51.15	55.60		60	1	4	86	127	·	

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Board of Hampton Falls:

I have the honor of submitting to you a report of my third year as superintendent of your schools.

CHANGE OF FISCAL YEAR

At the last session of the Legislature the following amendment was passed:

"The fiscal year of town and special school districts beginning February 16, 1917, shall end August 31, 1918, and thereafter the fiscal and the scholastic year shall end August 31, annually."

The passage of this amendment brings to every School District in New Hampshire the necessity of providing in some way for the change of fiscal year. Last March funds were appropriated to carry the schools to the end of the winter term only. This leaves the spring term and any repairs made during the summer unprovided for. The best way in which to provide for the change seems to be the following:

To consider the amount needed to finish the extended school year as a deficit and raise a sufficient amount to cover the same. In addition, to appropriate an amount sufficient to meet the needs of the schools until the end of the winter term, March, 1919.

THE SCHOOLS

The principal item of interest to all concerned is the progress of the schools. All three of them are in far better condition than they were a year ago. By coincidence, the teachers are all new to Hampton Falls, are all in their first year of teaching, and were classmates at the Plymouth Normal School. In view of their training, their success is not surprising, though none the less gratifying.

North.—Miss Gladys Murray, of Berlin, N. H., is a strong, steady teacher. She is popular with parents and scholars. The serving of a hot drink or a hot dish with the children's lunches is in accordance with the best modern practice in rural schools.

East.—Owing to unavoidable circumstances, the East School had a different teacher each term of the year 1916-1917. Fortunately all three were excellent teachers. After Miss DeGross's accident, Miss Elizabeth Kimball, of Exeter, and Miss Marjorie Stevens, of Durham, both Plymouth graduates, acted as substitutes.

Miss Edna Kimball, of Farmington, has the school this year. The children are fortunate to be under the care of this gifted young teacher who is achieving an enviable success.

South.—Miss Myra Jewell, of Stratham, is doing her best to interest a school that has not the advantage of numbers. If hard and conscientious work on the part of a teacher can assure results, Miss Jewell is bound to succeed.

MEDICAL INSPECTION

It is impossible to express in figures the value of medical inspection. Even if the examining physician does not spend many hours in the schools in the course of a year, the fact that we can legally call upon him for authority and advice is of great assistance.

IN CONCLUSION

There are many contributing factors in the maintenance of a good school. Well trained and devoted teachers, sanitary school buildings, and co-operation on the part of parents, school officers, teachers and pupils are absolute essentials.

There has never been a time in our history when education was so much needed as it is now and as it will be in the days of reconstruction after the war. We must be very sure that we allow nothing to handicap the intelligence and producing power of the rising generation. This means that we must make every effort to improve our schools.

Respectfully submitted,

MARO S. BROOKS,

Superintendent of Exeter, Newfields, Hampton Falls, and Kensington.

EXETER, N. H., February 1, 1918.

ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE

1916–1917

North School

Fall Term

Albert Seward

East School

Fall Term

Marilla Edgerly

Winter Term

Oliver Akerman
Clifford Creighton
Lewis Creighton
Marilla Edgerly
Thayer Edgerly
Carolyn Hadley
Dorothy Hadley

Spring Term

Oliver Akerman
George Hadley
Sarah Hadley

South School

Fall Term

Maurice W. Perkins
Roger H. Thurlow

Winter Term

Maurice W. Perkins
Roger H. Thurlow

Spring Term

Maurice W. Perkins

School Treasurer's Report

Receipts

Balance on hand	$418.18	
Town appropriation	1,650.00	
Dog tax	93.10	
High School tuition	400.00	
Books and supplies	150.00	
Flags	10.00	
Repairs for South School	35.00	
Dearborn Academy trustees, for tuition	25.00	
Received from state:		
For Superintendent's salary	150.00	
Literary fund	54.00	
		$2,985.28

Expenditures

Teachers' salaries	$1,196.60	
Supplies	154.37	
Wood	133.75	
Janitor	12.75	
Transportation	261.60	
Medical inspection	20.00	
Miscellaneous	35.08	
Tuition	651.00	
Superintendent's salary (9 months)	270.00	
		$2,735.15
Cash balance		$250.13

JOHN F. GYNAN, *School Treasurer.*

BIRTHS Registered in the Town of Hampton Falls, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1917.

Date	Name of Child (if any).	Male or Female.	No. of Child.	Living or Still-born.	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.
June 30	Florence I.	F	7	L	D. Elwin Pevear	Florence Hickford	Hampton Falls	Lynn, Mass.

MARRIAGES Registered in the Town of Hampton Falls, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1917.

Date	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of groom and bride.	Age in years.	Color of each.	Place of Birth of each.	Names of Parents.	Condition.	Name, Residence and Official Station of person by whom married.
Feb. 13	Seabrook	Samuel P. Irving Clara L. Felch	25 22	W "	Hampton Falls Seabrook	William Irving Mary J. Patterson William C. Felch Maude A. Caswell	1st "	John W. Savage, Clergyman.
June 2	Hampton Falls	Edgar C. Savage Harriet E. Crosby	30 25	W "	Dorchester Hampton Falls	George F. Savage Martha S. Perkins Charles H. Crosby Abbie C. Tarleton	1st "	Alonzo R. Pixley, Clergyman.
June 14	Exeter	Edward T. Temple Emma L. Johnson	20 22	W "	Hampton Falls Hampton Falls	William H. Temple Jennie C. Townsend Henry F. Johnson Mary F. Gove	1st "	Herbert F. Cawthorne, Clergyman.
Oct. 6	Portsmouth	Millard E. Dalton Leslie Belle Davis	26 17	W "	No. Hampton Portsmouth	Samuel R. Dalton Catherine Philbrick Charles H. Davis Lillian Nealley	1st "	Percy W. Caswell, Clergyman.
Jan. 4	Hampton	Wallace H. Batchelder Gladys C. Lamprey	18 17	W "	East Kingston Hampton	Nath'l M. Batchelder Minnie Austin William E. Lamprey Eskalmond Randall	1st "	Wallace H. Sterns, Clergyman.

DEATHS Registered in the Town of Hampton Falls, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1917.

Date		Name and surname of Deceased.	Age. Years.	Months.	Days.	Place of Birth.	Male or Female.	Color.	Single, Married or Widowed.	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.
Jan.	24	Sarah G. Brown	75	2	7	Dover	F	W	M	Daniel L. Norris	Sophia Osgood.
Feb.	9	James Wilson	73			Scotland	M	"	S		
	21	Lucinda Chase	84	2	4	Seabrook	F	"	W	Enoch Chase	Betsy Fogg.
	22	Warren B. Pevear	83	2	10	Hampton Falls	M	"	M	Joseph Pevear	Abigail Chase.
Apr.	14	Margaret C. Brown	84		15	Scotland	F	"	W	William Brown	Margaret Dole.
May	5	Mary S. Blake	82		5	Kensington	"	"	S	Ira Blake	Dorothy Sanborn.
July	22	James A. Cilley	17			Seabrook	M	"	"	James Cilley	Emma Bragg.
Sept.	5	Charles A. Pike	63	5	20	Hampton Falls	"	"	"	Edward D. Pike	Mary J. Collins.
	10	Harriet Thompson	84	3		Newington	F	"	M	Enos Tibbetts	Cynthia Parks.
Oct.	19	Jane E. Cockburn	67	2	12	Scotland	"	"	"	John H. Hamilton	Margaret Kennedy.
Dec.	26	Susan M. Janvrin	87	10	14	Exeter	"	"	S	George Janvrin	Sally Dodge.
	28	Abbie B. Chase	69	10	4	Hampton	"	"	M	Daniel Redmond	Mary Robins.

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